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## Let Byrd & Wolcott Handle Your Cream Will pay 14cts for eggs Saturday: highest price paid for poultry

### Captain Knox Killed.

About 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning Captain George W. Knox, paymaster in the quartermaster's department at Ft. Sill, was instantly killed when the aeroplane in which he and Lieut. R. B. Sutton were riding became uncontrollable at a height of nearly 300 feet. Sutton was unconscious for a time but later revived and it is thought he will live.

The crew on the east bound Frisco freight were the first ones to report the news in Elgin. They were switching at the Fort at the time and saw the two men drop. Thursday afternoon a soldier was in Elgin and gave further details of the accident. He said that before the accident the soldier boys were all anxious to take a shot but after it none cared to go.

Lieut. Sutton had taken a ride in the same machine on the day before, remaining in the air 40 minutes and rising to 3000 feet, so it was considered safe. He took a short flight Thursday morning to try the machine, then lighted and took Captain Knox on as a passenger with him.

When up some 250 to 300 feet the car seemed to strike an opposite current of air which turned it over and caused the car to drop. The distance to the ground was not far enough to give the operator time to readjust it, so it struck the ground with terrific force, its weight being 1500 pounds, and both men were pinned under it.

The engine exploded, tore a large hole in the ground, and completely destroyed the machine. Captain Knox's neck and both legs were broken and a piece of wood driven clear through one leg. Lieut. Sutton received most of his injuries about his head, his chin being pushed back and he bled profusely about his face. The hospital corps was watching them when they fell and took Sutton to the hospital where he is recovering.

Captain Knox was 41 years old on May 20 and was unmarried.

### Freight Wreck.

A freight wreck at Laverly Thursday stopped all traffic through Elgin for the rest of the day. The afternoon and night passenger trains ran from Lawton to Chickasha over the Rock Island tracks through Anadarko.

### Local Peach Cannery.

Some cities have canning factories in large buildings located on the busy business thoroughfares, but Elgin has a canning factory located in the country under an arbor.

On Thursday a representative of this paper had the opportunity to visit the farm of Hiram Quigley south east of town where he and ten assistants, four ladies and six men, were busily engaged canning peaches.

One of the metal peelers had been broken and he was unable to either buy or borrow one, so the work was handicapped somewhat by the use of only one peeler. He is putting the peaches in three pound cans and the force stated that they were putting out about 300 cans per day.

One man was running the peeler, the four ladies were finishing the peeling, taking out the stones, etc., two men were working at the canner where the fruit was being boiled as they were soldering the lids on the cans, and the other three men were what might be considered general utility men, bringing in the peaches sorting them over, carrying off the faulty ones, peelings, etc.

The refuse was carried to a bunch of hogs which seemed to take great delight in devouring it. And the bunch of hogs are helping to get a little profit out of the crop.

Mrs. Quigley has 30 acres in his peach orchard and has had a good yield. He shipped out one car load in bushel baskets from Elgin Wednesday and then went to canning on the balance. He does not depend on the wholesale houses for an outlet for his canned fruit but sells to several retailers in the larger cities.

The wind Thursday night blew off a good many of the ripier ones but he had as many left as he cared to handle.

### Exam. Postponed.

The civil service examination for fourth class postmaster at Sterling, which was called Saturday for Lawton, was postponed because the supplies did not arrive in time. Some say there were two and some say three persons present from Sterling to take the examination which shows that there is not much of a scrap on for the office. The postponed date of the examination has not been learned.

CHAMPION ads pay best.

### Mt. Scott Items.

Everybody is rejoicing over the fine rain that fell Sunday eve, the most rain that has fallen for many a day; it poured down for two hours.

L. E. Miller has been filling his silo with corn this week.

The pastor of the Mt. Scott church preached to a large audience Sunday.

G. W. Wade was on the sick list this week.

Mrs. John McGuire from Carnegie is visiting with her mother-in-law and relatives here this week.

There have been a good many fishing at Medicine Park this week.

The stork visited Mr. and Mrs. Lon Crain Saturday and left a 7 lb. boy with them. I guess

### To Exhibit Quadruplets.

Flake Keys of Hollis, who has quadruplet girls born two months ago, has had an offer from the National Better Babies organization to exhibit them all over the United States. To accompany them will be a physician and a trained nurse for each baby. These babies weighed six pounds each when born and are said to be the only quadruplets of the same sex ever born.

### Speaking.

The State Rural Credit association secretary, W. H. Beaver, will speak in Elgin, Temple Hall, next Monday night, August 23, at 8 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend and especially those that have stock in the company should be present. Adv

### New Officers.

The last quarterly meeting of the conference year on the Elgin circuit was held in the Elgin Methodist church Saturday afternoon. Dist. Supt. Collins presided and H. P. Wettengel was elected secretary of the meeting.

The pastor's report showed one member dismissed by certificate, Mrs. Mabel Black Orr, to the church at Lawton, and two members deceased during the quarter, Ben Palmer and John Elsass.

The report of the lay election showed that W. W. Garwood was elected delegate and Harry Campbell reserve delegate to the lay conference to be held in Tulsa in October.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year, for the different points.

### TRUSTEES.

Elgin: O. H. Putney, Mrs. Alma Howe, Mrs. Fannie Coffin, J. C. Byrd, H. P. Wettengel.

Sterling: F. S. Lockwood, Levi Holowell, H. M. Williams, Jasper Carter, Mrs. M. H. Davis.

Beaver Bend: J. H. Black, L. C. Chamberlin, L. R. Majors, W. W. Garwood, J. F. Brooks.

### STEWARDS.

Elgin: Mrs. Alma Howe, Mrs. Jessie Fitzgerald, Mrs. Fannie Coffin, Mrs. Minnie Chosen, Mrs. J. C. Byrd.

Sterling: F. S. Lockwood, Levi Holowell.

Beaver Bend: J. H. Black, L. R. Majors, Mrs. L. C. Chamberlin, W. W. Garwood, Mrs. Nellie Fullerton.

District Steward, H. P. Wettengel.

Recording Steward, J. W. Garwood.

### CLASS LEADERS.

Elgin, O. H. Putney.

Sterling, F. H. Schaper.

Beaver Bend, W. W. Garwood.

### A Little Rock.

Rev. C. A. Rock and wife of Apache are the parents of a son born recently at the Guthrie hospital. It will be remembered that Rev. Rock conducted the revival meeting in Elgin last spring.

### To Begin Sept. 5.

A revival will commence at the Elgin Baptist church on Sunday, Sept. 5, and will be conducted by the pastor, Rev. S. C. Peyton, who will be assisted by a noted singer.

### On The Elgin Routes.

Miss Rickey Shaffer, who had been visiting home folks on old route 1, returned to Lawton last Wednesday.

O. H. Putney of route 3 and daughter, Mrs. J. H. Harrison, were business callers in Cyril Thursday.

G. K. Morgan of route 2 has treated his barn to a fresh coat of paint.

Considerable hail fell in some places on route 2 Thursday night. Harry Campbell's cotton was completely destroyed.

J. M. Hinds of route 3 and C. C. Barbe of route 2 are among those called for jury service in district court on August 30.

James Gibson of old route 1 sold his peaches on the trees, receiving \$50 for all that the purchaser cared to pick and ship, which some consider the most profitable way to dispose of them.

Mrs. F. M. Gibson and niece, Mrs. J. E. May, of Yukon, came Saturday for a visit at the home of the former's son, James Gibson.

Carrier John Cost attended the ball game in Lawton Sunday.

Thos. Sperling, one of the enterprising farmers on route 2, has given his barn a new coat of paint.

Substitute Cremer carried the mail on route 3 Monday.

D. W. Hooper of route 2 is carrying his right hand in a sling this week with something like a felon on his thumb.

Lee Dean, who has been pulling broom corn for J. F. Mitchell of route A, went to Lawton Monday.

Substitute Cremer carried the mail on route 2 Tuesday on account of the illness of Mrs. R. B. Lasley.

J. H. Willhite visited Sunday with the family of S. A. Metts on route A.

Miss Ella Hasenbeck of route 3 returned Sunday from a six weeks' visit with her sister at Fairmont, Minn.

W. A. Groves of Drumwright came Monday for a visit at the home of W. C. Hunt of route A.

### Mrs. G. W. Gilbert Died.

Mrs. G. W. Gilbert, an account of whose burning was given in this paper two weeks ago, died Thursday and was buried Friday in the Sterling cemetery. It will be remembered that she tore up a catalogue and set fire to her clothing. She is survived by her husband and three small children.

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### Coming Events.

Aug. 19 to 21, Comanche Carnival.

August 26 to 28, South Caddo County Fair, Cyril.

Aug. 31 to Sept. 4, soldiers reunion, Bridgeport.

Sept. 7 to 9, Binger Fair.

Sept. 15 to 18, Sterling Fair.

Sept. 16 to 17, Kiowa County Fair, Hobart.

Sept. 17 to 18, Tillman county fair, Frederick.

Sept. 21 to 23, Peanut carnival, Duncan.

Sept. 25 to Oct. 2, State Fair Oklahoma City.

Oct. 5 to 9, Caddo county fair Anadarko.

### Wind Thursday Night.

Quite a stiff breeze struck some localities around here Thursday night. At the home of W. C. Hunt south east of town the wind blew oats bundles off of the stacks and carried them over 50 feet into the road. His barn was set off the foundation a little, the roof torn loose in places and other damage done. Some boards were torn off his house also.

### New Switchboard.

A new switchboard has been installed in the Elgin central telephone office this week which was badly needed on account of the increase in the number of patrons. T. P. Hindman of Oklahoma City was here overseeing the work.

## Old Wheat Flour

Ask your grocer for a sack of

## Hunter's - Cream

The flour from which  
REAL bread is made.

I dreamed a dream the other night  
About the long ago;  
I dreamed I saw the old church house  
Where now the mosses grow:  
It had no towering steeple,  
Its walls were very plain,  
But oh, the dear old structure,  
I long to see again.

I thought I saw the people,  
That came from far and near  
To hear God's word proclaimed,  
Which filled their hearts with cheer.

Oh, how their hearts did glow,  
As the preacher would unfold  
The story of the saviour's love,  
Which ne'er to them grew old.

I dreamed I saw old friends,  
Friends that I loved so well;  
But who have crossed the tide,  
And now in glory dwell.  
Oh, those old by-gone days,  
How dear to me they seem;  
I'd wish for their return,  
As seen in this my dream.

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